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C O N F I D E N T I A L LIBREVILLE 1946

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PORG, PBOR, OAU

SUBJECT: OAU ATTITUDES ON SOUTHERN AFRICA

REF: ADDIS ABABA 4591

1. WISH TO SGGEST, FROM LIBREVILLE PERSPECTIVE,
THAT VIEW EXPRESSED BY OAU ASSISTANT SYG PETER ONU
(REFTEL) ARE NOT NECESSARITY THOSE OF ALL OAU MEMBERS
AND ARE ALMOST CERTAINLY NOT IDENTICAL WITH THOSE OF
ROGANIZATIONS CURRENT CHAIRMAN.

2. OBLIGATORY PUBLIC RHETORIC TO CONTRARY NOTWITHSTANDING,
GABONESE PRESIDENT BONGO (AND PRESUMABLY OTHER
MODERATES OF LIKE STRIPE) WOULD STILL PREFER
NEGOTIATIONS AND DIALOGUE TO POLICY OF ARMED STRUGGLE
SO ENTHUSIASTICALLY ADVOCATED BY ONU. THUS, WHEN ONU
TALKS OF OAU STARTEGY AND OAU STURGGLE AS THOUGH
THESE WERE MATTERS OF GENERAL AGREEMENT AMONG
ALL MEMBER STATES, HE APPEARS TO BE INDULGING IN
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CONSIDERABLE EXAGGERATION OF ORGANIZATION'S
CHOESIVENESS. AS SEEN FROM HERE, AT LEAST, QUOTE
GENERAL OAU OPINION UNQUOTE TO WHICH REFTEL
ALLUDES IS LITTLE MORE THAN CONGERIES OF OFTEN
CONFLICTING VIEWS AND NOWHERE NEAR AS UNANIMOUS
AS ONU WOULD PERHAPS LIKE US TO BELIEVE.

3. WHILE ONU'S VIEWS MAY ACCURATELY REFLECT
THINKING OA OAU SECRETARIAT, WOULD SUGGEST THAT
HIS VIEWS BE TREATED WITH LARGE GRAIN OF SALT
WHEN HE CLAIMS TO BE SPEAKING IN NAME OF ENTIRE
AOU MEMBERSHIP. STEIGMAN

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